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Sky's the limit

The USA swept the medals in the half-pipe competition Monday. It was the first US sweep of medals in Winter Olympics since 1956.

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Drivers circumvent Olympic traffic

Roads clear regardless of earlier fears

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Despite the fear of accidents and road rage during the Olympics, officials said Utah County roads have been clear of incident so far.

Tom Hudachko, spokesman for the Utah Department of Transportation, said he has been pleased with residents' willingness to work around traffic.

"The commuters are the ones we owe the credit to," Hudachko said. "They are the ones planning ahead and changing their schedules."

Though Utah County roads are busier than normal due to additional vehicles from visitors not familiar with local road systems, problems have been minimal.

Hudachko cited changed driving behaviors as a major contributor to flowing traffic. Carpooling, using public transportation and avoiding driving in traditionally heavy commuter times has helped the avoid traffic incidents.

"The big thing to remember is that people cannot become complacent," Hudachko said. "Just because the past few days have run smoothly doesn't mean that people can fall back into their old routines. We need everyone to keep up this current behavior to keep the next two weeks running smoothly."

Olympic transportation specialists have published information online requesting residents to avoid travel in venue areas before and after Olympic events, and to run errands at one time instead of making multiple trips.

"Know before you go" guides for residents and spectators are available at grocery stores, police stations and online at www.utahcommuterlink.com.

TO ARRIVE ON TIME IF YOU DRIVE...

STEP 1 CHECK COMPETITION START TIME ON YOUR TICKET

STEP 2 SELECT TRANSPORTATION TRAVEL TIME — Includes estimates of driving time with traffic, shuttle rides and walking to gate.

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PROVO	3 hr 15 min	2 hr 15 min	2 hr 15 min	1 hr 30 min	2 hr	1 hr 30 min	45 min	1 hr 45 min	2 hr 30 min

STEP 3 ADD TIME FOR GETTING TO YOUR SEAT — Includes security where applicable, ticket check and locating and walking to your seat.

TIME TO GET THROUGH VENUE AND TO SEAT	20 min (a) 30+ min (b)	30 min	30 min	30 min	60 min	30 min	30 min	20 min	20 min

STEP 4 ADD ADDITIONAL TIME TO AVOID TRAFFIC

EARLY ARRIVAL ALLOWANCE	1 hr 15 min	1 hr 15 min	1 hr 15 min	1 hr	1 hr	30 min	15 min	15 min	15 min

STEP 5 CALCULATE TOTAL TRAVEL TIME TO VENUE — There is no guarantee you will arrive for the event if you do not include step 4.

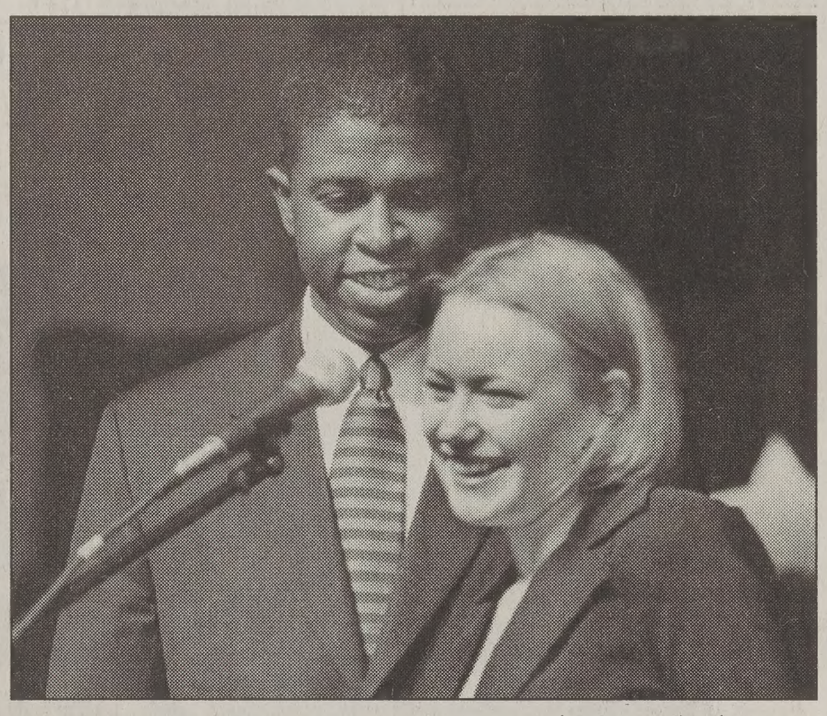
ADD THE TIMES FROM STEPS 2, 3 AND 4 ABOVE									

Source: utahcommuterlink.com

Hundreds of buses are available for spectators of the Olympics.

Mosiah Robertson/ Daily Universe

Retraction was not a factor in Y election outcome



Jack R. Peterson/ Daily Universe
Robert Foster and Eisha Tengelsen won the BYUSA election Friday, after retracting an idea in their platform. Some voters wanted to change their votes but were unable to do so.

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Despite the controversy over their platform retraction, Robert Foster and Eisha Tengelsen's election victory Friday is valid, according to BYUSA.

Karl Hale, BYUSA technical coordinator, said there was a difference in the number of votes all the candidates received after the retraction. However, the change was not significant.

"The ending picture would have been the same," he said.

Although exact numbers were not available, the difference did not give Don Bennion and Stephanie Blackner, who received 35 percent of the vote, an advantage, Hale said. It did give Rob Marsh and Gavin McCaleb an advantage, though.

McCaleb, who received 21 percent of the final votes, said he was not happy with how Foster handled his campaign.

"There is discrepancy for getting it approved, then later having to retract it," McCaleb said. The major controversy in this year's BYUSA elections involved Foster and Tengelsen retracting a promise to build an on-campus shuttle system.

The problem started when a student said the shuttle system was not feasible, said Joshua Dahmer, BYUSA elections chair. After BYUSA researched the issue, it told Foster he would have to retract his promise.

"We want to be fair to the students and to the candidates," Dahmer said. "We want to do our best to correct the drifts that occur."

After the retraction, hundreds of students called the BYUSA office to try and change their votes, said Andria Uale, BYUSA executive vice president.

At least one student said he voted for another candidate when he found out the shuttle system had been canned.

Sterling Card, 23, a senior from Troutdale, Ore., majoring in zoology, said he originally was going to vote for Foster and Tengelsen but later chose Marsh and McCaleb when he learned of the retraction. Ultimately, Card said their platform was more realistic.

"They looked like fun guys who could run with the ball," he said.

Foster said it was never his intention to deceive students and did not want anything in his platform he could not do. "We didn't want to give students any false premises or false hope," he said.

Foster said he hopes to avert such debate in the future by approving platform issues earlier and by more people.

"We just feel it would cut down on the whole confusion of it and possibly it would make it so this doesn't happen again," he said.

University clarifies policies for ward organizations, student ecclesiastical endorsements from last week

University Communications

Two front-page articles in Friday's Daily Universe titled "Y enrollment dependent on church attendance" and "Organization of BYU wards changes to bring souls to Christ" are misleading in that they suggest new directions and policies for student ecclesiastical endorsement and ward organizations.

First, the conditions for endorsement have not changed.

"The worthiness of an individual to attend Brigham Young University is based on a number of factors and is determined in an interview process with appropriate ecclesiastical leaders," said President Merrill J. Bateman.

"Although attendance at church meetings is one measure of a person's religious commitment, the Board of Trustees has not specified a percentage that must be achieved to merit ecclesiastical endorsement," President Bateman said.

In regard to the second article concerning BYU ward changes, Elder John H. Groberg, a member of the First Quorum of the Seventy of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints and president of the Utah South Area, clarified use of the council structure.

Under the direction of the Utah South Area presidency, five BYU campus stakes are looking at ways to use the council structure to provide members with more opportunities to serve.

"They are doing so within the church-approved priesthood and auxiliary council and committee system," Elder Groberg said.

Although the article implies that this initiative is a fundamental change in the ward organization, this is no the case, Elder Groberg said.

"The council system combined with priesthood and auxiliary committees has existed for some time.

"This initiative is nothing more than an application of that system to the BYU student stake environment."

Professor to focus on light

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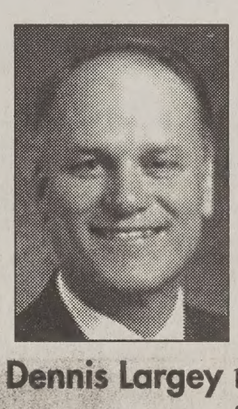

Dennis Largey

Dennis Largey, associate professor of ancient scripture at BYU, will speak at today's Devotional in the Marriott Center.

Largey has entitled his talk "The Armor of Light." He will focus on scripture found in D&C 93.

Verses 37 and 39, which speak of Lucifer coming and taking away light from mankind, will be the main emphasis, he said.

Largey said he will use analogies to show the importance of maintaining light in our lives so we can stay spiritually strong.

"Our eyes adjust to the darkness, so to speak, and we are blindsided by Lucifer," Largey said. "It comes in a slow way and is almost imperceptible."

Largey has been a professor at BYU since 1985.

The Devotional will be broadcast live from the Marriott Center at 11:05 a.m. on KBYU-TV and KBYU-FM as well as the BYU-TV satellite network.

It will be rebroadcast on KBYU-TV on Sunday at 11a.m.

News Briefs

Compiled from staff and news service reports

Money found beneath WTC rubble

NEW YORK — Enough cash to fill 60 garbage bags was found in the World Trade Center rubble over the weekend and is believed to be part of an $11 million sum reported missing by Bank of America.

The U.S. and foreign currency was spotted Friday while compacted material six stories underground was being excavated, Port Authority Lt. John Ryan said. He said he did not know the exact amount found.

Bank of America spokeswoman Tara Burke said the currency belonged to the Charlotte, N.C.,-based company. Its 11th floor office had a walk-in vault and provided foreign currency to other banks.

Ryan said finding the money was a surprise.

"Certain areas had a lot of fire damage and were completely burnt up," he said. "And then there are other areas where there was no fire and even paper survives, even though the buildings collapsed down on top and it was buried in debris."

Letter raises hopes for Arafat's support

WASHINGTON — A message from Yasser Arafat to Secretary of State Colin Powell is raising hopes that the Palestinian leader will take a more aggressive stand on terror attacks on Israel.

"We did find it to be a positive letter, and we now look for action along the lines that he indicated in his letter," State Department spokesman Richard Boucher said Monday while declining to reveal the letter's contents.

Hassan Abdel Rahman, the ranking Palestinian official in the United States, said Arafat did not say in the letter that he knew about an attempt to smuggle 50 tons of weapons from Iran.

"It's a general letter that includes a roadmap to get us back to negotiations," Rahman said.

Diplomatic sources said the letter, sent last week through the U.S. consulate in Jerusalem, contained promises by Arafat that he would take steps against Palestinians involved in the blocked smuggling effort.

Jazz guard sentenced on sex charge

FRESNO, Calif. — Utah Jazz guard DeShawn Stevenson was sentenced to two years probation Monday for having sex with a minor.

Stevenson was not present for the hearing, but his lawyer, Roger Litman, pleaded no contest on his behalf to charges that Stevenson, 20, had sex with a 14-year-old girl.

Litman pleaded guilty on his client's behalf to another charge of disturbing the peace for a fight that broke out at a basketball game the night he was drafted in the first round out of high school by the Jazz in 2000. He was the 23rd pick overall.

"Ultimately, I think this situation has made me grow as a person and man," Stevenson said in a statement. "It has given me a new respect and appreciation for the opportunities I have been blessed with in my life and career."

Movement members sue Beijing mayor

SALT LAKE CITY — Six members of the Falun Gong are suing the mayor of Beijing, claiming he is responsible for a beating they received while practicing their religion.

The Center for Justice and Accountability filed the federal lawsuit against Liu Qi, mayor of Beijing and president of the Beijing Olympic Committee.

Falun Gong is a spiritual movement that has been banned in China.

Members of the group said Qi should not be allowed to lead China's Olympic movement. The suit is asking for damages to be determined at a jury trial.

Qian Decun, first secretary in China's U.S. Embassy, said it is another effort by Falun Gong practitioners to discredit the Chinese government.

Practitioners of Falun Gong have been using the 2002 Winter Games to spread the message that their followers have been imprisoned and tortured to death at the hands of the Chinese government.

Weather

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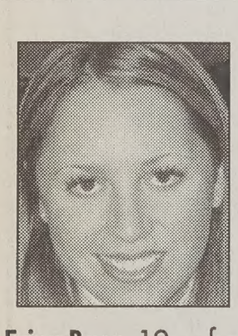
Scripture of the Day



"Angels speak by the power of the Holy Ghost; wherefore, they speak the words of Christ. Wherefore, I said unto you, feast upon the words of Christ; for behold, the words of Christ will tell you all things what ye should do."

— 2 Nephi 32:3

Erica Baer, 19, a freshman from Lake Orion, Mich., majoring in early childhood education, likes this scripture because "whenever you are in need, doubtful or questioning, 'the words of Christ will tell you all things what ye should do.'"

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Oly security still tight despite minor breaches

Associated Press

SALT LAKE CITY — So far, the Olympics haven't thrown security officials anything they weren't ready for.

The threats have been minor: an uncooperative passenger on a flight into Salt Lake City, a suspicious sack of fuses and wires found downtown, a handful of uncooperative protesters, a rusty sniper rifle found in the woods and an Olympic laborer fired for showing up to work with a machete in his car.

Those incidents don't seem to have shaken the nerve of the Games' security force, backed by $310 million and about 15,000 troops.

David Tubbs, a former FBI agent who is executive director of the Utah Olympic Public Safety Command, said he's pleased with the way the security team is performing. But he's not relaxing.

"This is not the time to reduce vigilance. I know I'm not. We're doing everything we can to make sure no one else does," Tubbs said.

Near Soldier Hollow early Monday, police found what Tubbs called a suspicious package. It turned out to be a plastic container full of rock salt, but police weren't taking any chances; they blew it apart with a water cannon, Tubbs said.

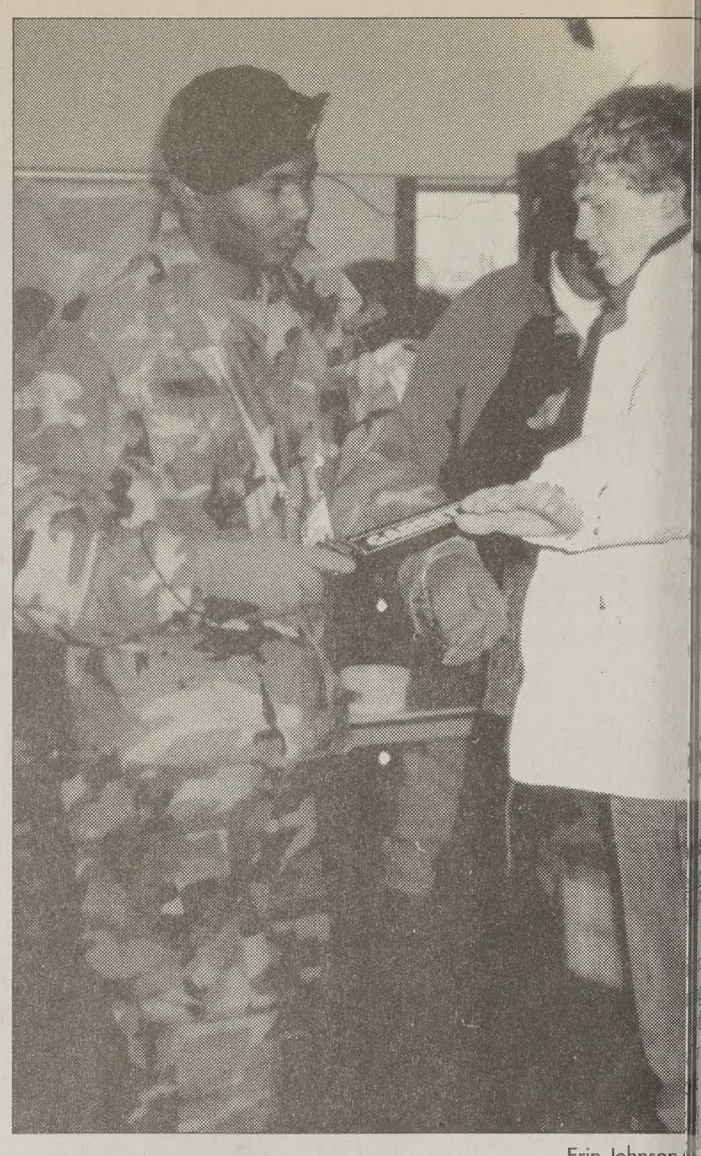
The Salt Lake Organizing Committee wasn't taking any chances either when it fired a laborer for showing up at Snowbasin on Saturday with a machete in the truck of his car. The man's Olympic credentials and his machete were confiscated.

"He joked that he used it to hack people up," said Weber County sheriff's Cpt. Terry Shaw, the Olympic safety commander at Snowbasin. Authorities decided it was no joking matter.

The man was identified as Laurie Odekirk, 62, who showed an out-of-state driver's license.

In the case of the fuses and wires found near a parking garage the day before the opening ceremony, Tubbs said no one has been arrested — but he promised robust prosecution if they find out who planted the package.

Five protesters were arrested after deviating from their demonstration permit Friday, though the vast majority of demonstrations have been uneventful.



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A man goes through a security checkpoint at the Ceremonies. The Games security force is backed by $3 and about 15,000 troops.

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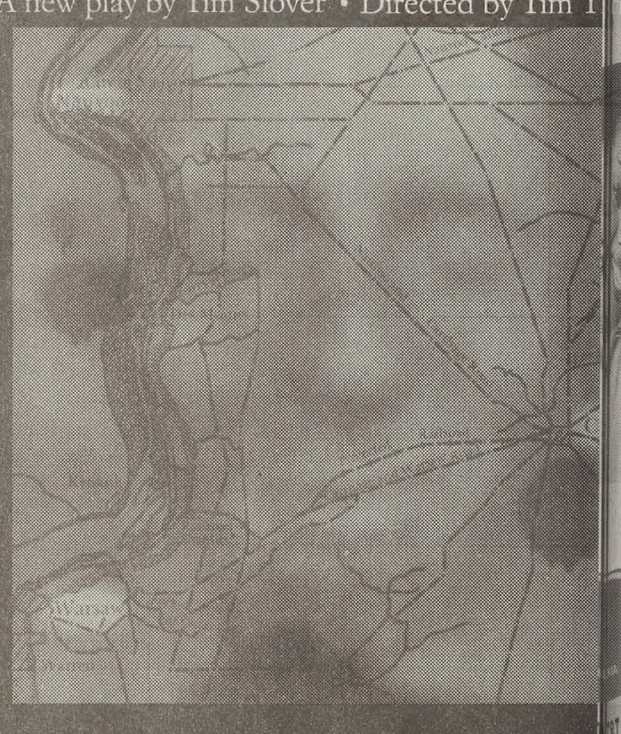

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GTON — The FBI traordinary terrorist y night, asking law t and the American on the lookout for a and several associ- ght be plotting a ter- is early as Tuesday. crambled to put the t after information one or more people d. Officials said the while deemed credi- specific about possi-

entified one possible Fawaz Yahya al-Rabeei, a Yemeni national born in Saudi Arabia in 1979. It listed about a dozen associates of al-Rabeei, most from Saudia Arabia and Yemen. One associate was listed as possibly coming from Tunisia.

The bureau planned to put photos and information on a Web site to help Americans identify the possible perpetrators. The Associated Press obtained the initial alert from government sources.

"Recent information indicates a planned attack may occur in the United States or against U.S. interests on or around Feb. 12, 2002. One or more operatives may be involved in the attack," the alert to 18,000 law enforcement agencies said.

The alert asked police "to stop and detain" any of the named individuals in alert and that all "should be considered extremely dangerous."

Although the alert was issued on the fourth night of the Winter Olympics in Salt Lake City, officials said there was no intelligence suggesting the games were a possible target.

Instead, they urged that all locations in the United States and abroad with Americans to be on guard.

Law enforcement officials said there was no evidence that al-Rabeei had entered the United States.

The alert did not say whether the attack was planned by or involved Osama bin Laden's al-Qaida network.

Law enforcement officials, speaking on condition of anonymity, said the alert was prompted by recent information from interviews of detainees in Afghanistan and Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, where several al-Qaida operatives are being held.

Officials said the information was specific enough to be deemed credible but had come in so recently that it could not be corroborated yet.

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Olympic ice
An ice sculpture display in Salt Lake City highlights the local Olympic spirit.

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itals expect a greater number of g the Olympics and are prepared the public.

what we anticipate we'll see in clinics and hospitals is what y see during any winter month," hard Price, Olympic medical fficer for Intermountain Health

ial medical services provider for mes, IHC is expecting to see ls, flu sickness, respiratory prob- sickness and minor injuries in and spectators, Price said.

ympic medical service providers have reported bumps, bruises and sprains to be common injuries, he said.

Altitude sickness could also be a factor for many visitors who come from sea level.

"Especially for those spectators at the alpine venues at 6,000 to 8,000 feet in elevation, altitude sickness could be a problem," Price said. "And if you add exposure to the cold and exertion from hiking up and down hills to and from the venue, the problem can be made even worse."

Some people have questioned whether Olympic visitors will fill area medical facilities, making it difficult for local residents to get care.

"After researching past Olympic Games, we don't believe that will happen," Douglas R. Fonnesbeck, IHC Olympic liaison, said. "All of our facilities will be able to care for patients from our communities just like they typically do."

IHC Spokesman Daron Cowley said clinics are set up at each competition venue to provide basic medical services and will treat roughly 10,000 people throughout the Games.

"They are first aid clinics so there is no charge to use them," Cowley said.

With an expected 100,000 visitors per day in Utah during the Games, there will be more cars on the road — and that usually means more auto accidents.

Yet Cowley said they have not seen a trend of more accidents so far because of the good weather and dry roads.

But once it snows, the hospitals and clinics expect to see more accidents and are prepared for such emergencies, Cowley said.

"The community shouldn't notice any difference," he said.

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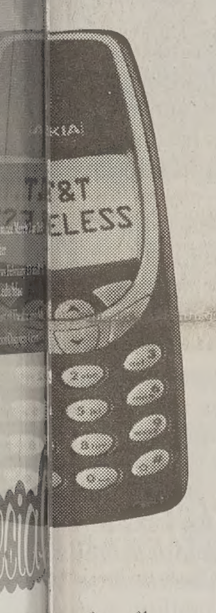

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Accept criticism

News media have interpreted The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in a variety of ways recently.

These interpretations haven't always been positive.

The New Yorker magazine was so presumptuous as to compare characterizations of early Latter-day Saints to those of the Taliban in a Jan. 21, 17-page, in-depth article on the Church of Jesus Christ.

Another news report in last week's Time magazine painted an ominous picture of church headquarters, describing church officials who "beamed smiles like undertakers."

It would be easy to be offended and even angered by such characterizations. They strike at the heart of our culture and values. But we should bear them graciously and realize that this is not uncommon handling of little known, little understood minorities.

Mainstream newspapers were consistently insensitive and cruel towards blacks well into the twentieth century. And The New York Herald condemned the Women's Rights Convention of 1850 as an "awful combination of socialism, abolitionism and infidelity."

But eventually, these maltreated groups rose from obscurity to be recognized for their substance rather than by superficial stereotypes.

Church members can only hope for the same fate.

Many news outlets have dwelt on dark snippets of history that involved Latter-day Saints, the Mountain Meadows Massacre, the Salt Lake Olympic scandal — and at the same time overlooked positive aspects of our religion and culture such as the focus on the family, the welfare program and humanitarian aid.

Yes, it would be easy to feel victimized by the rough treatment dealt church members by the press.

But by harboring anger we would only be perpetuating the "us" verses "them" mentality created by the media.

In reality, we are all bounded in common hopes and dreams.

We saw our commonalities embodied in the Opening Ceremonies on Friday as the Mormon Tabernacle Choir joined an international crowd in celebrating the spirit of humanity.

The church has come a long way since the mob lynchings and extermination order in the nineteenth century. Our religion has flourished and church membership has skyrocketed.

Taking the defensive now, amid a little criticism, is not the way to perpetuate understanding.

We should be patient and endure it.

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OUR MILITARY CAMPAIGN HAS TOTALLY OBLITERATED OUR BEARDED OPPOSITION.
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FROM THE FIFTH FLOOR

Challenging the system

Last Thursday, The Daily Universe published an article in which reporters had investigated the dangers of using credit cards and Signature Cards on campus.

Reporters bought items at different stores on campus, using another person's credit card and Signature Card. The cashiers never stopped the reporters and, in the vast majority of cases, didn't even look at the cards they were using.

The reporters also learned through subsequent interviews that although it is the written policy that Signature Cards are non-transferable (i.e. only the owners can use them), the enforced policy — what cashiers were trained to do — was quite different.

Before the article was even published, the reporters were accused of two things: using deceptive practices to obtain biased results and making what one BYU Bookstore employee called "a mountain out of a molehill."

The employee claimed it was not honest journalism to go undercover and deceive the establishment, and the reporters clearly had a pre-conceived notion as to what they would find, making their results tainted and subjective.

The truth is that throughout the history of the United States, some of the stories that have effected the greatest change for good were written without the knowledge of the establishment. From Nellie Bly's exposé of insane asylums at the end of the 19th century to BYU alumnus Dale Van Atta's undercover work for the Deseret News, journalists have used unorthodox methods to bring hidden truth to the public.

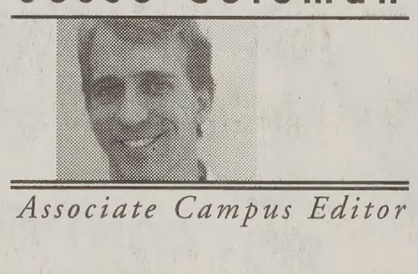
In fact, the whole point of going undercover is to show how the system works when the system doesn't know it's being watched.

The Bookstore asked The Daily Universe to hold off on printing the story until it had a chance to talk to the cashiers, and then asked the paper to run the investigation again.

But if reporters only wrote stories when the system was alerted of their presence, what would be the point?

The reporters also made a conscious effort not to go into this investigation with a preconceived notion. They were aware a problem may exist with Signature Cards and credit cards, but were willing to report the story according to the results of their investigation, not any preconceived notion.

Jesse Coleman



Associate Campus Editor

It just so turned out that all of the 13 cases showed no one was enforcing campus policy.

As for making "a mountain out of a molehill," statistics show otherwise.

The dangers of credit card and identity fraud are among the highest in the nation, with Americans losing almost a billion dollars every year to illegal card theft and use.

Identity fraud ranks number two in the top 10 scams in Utah, and the Signature Card office reported almost 90 cases of Signature Card fraud on campus over the last 15 years.

If the reporters were able to use another person's card freely with his permission, imagine what a thief could do with a Visa platinum card or the Signature Card of a student.

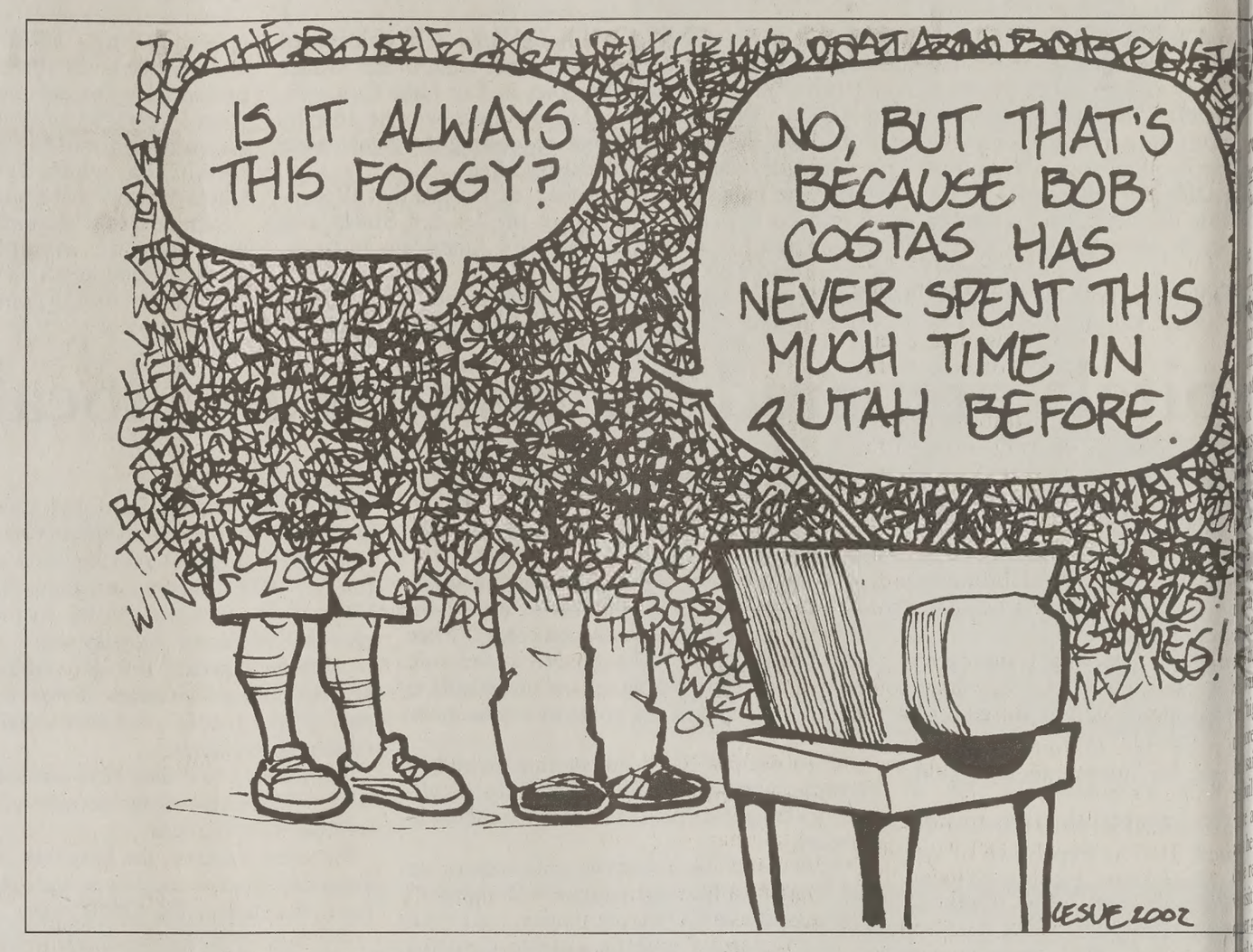
If this isn't a problem on campus (and the published article certainly shows there may be), then the end result is people will read the article, take the facts for what they are worth, and let it go.

The bottom line is that BYU's policy on credit cards and Signature Cards is not being enforced — for whatever reason.

This opens the door for identity fraud, and BYU stands to lose a lot of money if people take advantage of the situation.

The administration should consider the truth, and if they see the need for change, they should implement it.

In any case, reporters will continue to take the initiative to show the public where the system does and doesn't work and where the public is most at risk.



READERS' FORUM

Opportunity ignored

Dear Editor,

As BYU students, we have seen no decorations, no festivities, no advertisements and little to no encouragement to participate in the Olympics.

For example, when all the Olympic volunteers were invited to go to the dress rehearsal for the Opening Ceremonies, a once in a lifetime opportunity, BYU scheduled dual choral concerts.

The students who elected to participate in the dress rehearsal instead of performing in the concert were awarded failing grades and dismissed forever from their performing groups.

When BYU finally granted the one-week Olympic break wherein classes will be postponed, a statement was issued indicating that all student employees will be expected to work through the break.

Therefore, none of the students who are putting themselves through school working for BYU could volunteer or participate, because they will be tending a ghost town.

BYU touts the highest concentration of bilingual students with international experience in the United States.

This single week proves to be insufficient time to volunteer these assets, since the Olympics run for three.

Many students couldn't volunteer because they will be hitting the books while the world breezes through town. As if the Olympic experience wouldn't be a far more valuable educational experience. Some university.

One would expect to find an inviting atmosphere for people from around the world, but there is little mention of the Olympics on the BYU campus, business as usual.

And so we say to our Olympic sojourners, Welcome to BYU. The world is our campus, so get off of it!

Joel Frost
Show Low, Ariz.

Elliott Brown
Salt Lake City

Participate locally

Dear Editor,

I agree with the comments in last week's letter on savoring the Olympics.

Sure, it's going to get crowded, and traffic will be horrible. But remember, we are in the middle of the biggest international event in the world, and we don't have to go anywhere to feel the excitement. I felt it the other night as the torch came through town.

This is a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity and everyone should enjoy it, even if it takes a little while longer to get home from work or a little while longer walking through crowds in the cold.

The best part about this is that we don't have to go to Salt Lake or Park City to take in the Olympic atmosphere; we can get it right here in Provo.

Just go down and check out the International Ice Carving Competition, for example.

I don't want to fight the crowds at the medals plaza in Salt Lake, but I am going to enjoy the Olympic atmosphere here in town because we will, in 40 years, tell people about what we did during the 2002 Olympics, and it would be a shame to say that we didn't do anything because we don't like crowds.

Matt Sanders
Syracuse, Davis County

Peace slighted

Dear Editor,

President Bush's nomination for a Nobel Peace Prize seems ironic in light of the president's recent call for war on the world's "axis of evil."

Bush's comments, (conveniently coinciding with his demand for unprecedented defense spending) serve to further alienate the United States in its efforts to combat world terrorism.

His characterization of nations as innately good or evil simplifies reality and transforms his war on terrorism into a classic battle between good guys and bad guys.

Unfortunately, this Alamo mentality doesn't allow nations like Iran to join the international effort without committing to American ideology and bowing to American politics.

Unfortunately, Bush has gradually destroyed the incredible sense of international purpose and unity he forged following the attacks on Sept. 11.

As Europe and the Arab world become increasingly dissatisfied with America's cowboy diplomacy, the United States will find itself increasingly alone in the face of future terrorism, clinging to its isolationist Texan's idea of "our way or no way."

Ben Madsen
Boise, Idaho

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Assessing attendance

Dear Editor,

If our enrollment at this highly esteemed university is "dependent on church attendance," why not just include a time card kept in your scriptures in order to "clock in and out" for the specified times that each ward meets? This way, every BYU student will be denied his/her gift of free agency.

If every student is forced to attend their church meetings, surely a strong spirit will be present every hour of the block.

One would think that by now, fully-grown adults are capable of making their own decisions.

Of further concern, why is this on the front page of The Daily Universe when there are more prevalent world issues that should be addressed?

Janelle Johnson
Calgary, Alberta

Lorraine Rossell
La Crescenta, Calif.

Stop meddling

Dear Editor,

I am writing in response to the article about straightening out our priorities.

I would like to address the BYU students about this because it has been bothering me.

Whether or not I should watch the Super Bowl on Sunday; whether or not I should go to this or that movie; whether or not I should listen to this music — these are all issues that everybody at BYU thinks they have to state their opinion on.

The truth is that they really don't have to, and they should just stay quiet.

Yes, most of us are members of the same church, but these issues do not have a set answer as to what to do. Everybody interprets these issues differently.

Just because you believe on[e] n't mean you have to tell oth[ers] do as you do. I'm tired of th[is] eous attitude.

Everyone has his/her own[] what to do. They should be a[ble] a decision about something a[nd] to listen to everybody else [un]less they're wrong.

To me it's simple: choose to[] er you feel right about.

David Dean
Kirkland, Wash.

Sampling defe[ct]

Dear Editor,

Last week you printed a le[tter] "Lawsuit makes sense." W[ith] with the writer's treatment of [the] aspects of the case, I feel as [if] as the original writer to po[int] while, as he pointed out, imp[ut]ation form of sampling, it is most [ac]curate not "a more accurate form t[han] sampling."

In fact, imputation is less a[ccurate] random sampling — it is a m[uch] likely to be biased, and mor[e] using the type of imputation [in] Census 2000, it is impossible [to] the variability that the use o[f] introduces into the census.

In contrast, random samplin[g] unbiased, and allows us to [] amount of variability introd[uced] consequence of not conduc[ting] count.

One of the arguments Utah[] in this lawsuit is that it is no[t] the Census Bureau to use in[] less accurate form of statistic[s] than the random samplin[g] Supreme Court prohibited [in] Supreme Court ruling.

For anybody who would l[ike] understand this case properl[y], age you to read the original [] ments, which are publicly a[vail]line at www.utd.uscourt[s.] ments/evans2.html.

Lara J. Wolfson
Assistant Professor of Statist[ics]
Provo

Juvenile treatm[ent]

Dear Editor,

Recently, I was privileged [to] attend the International C[en]ter wonderful gem of BYU ca[mpus] excellent way to get to know [] from various countries.

I was excited to go and, [of] with a friend. The place wa[s] seats filled with students e[ager] and enjoy a fun Friday night.

I was intent on the story I [] was in French, and as a stu[dent] beautiful language, it took n[o] tration to understand everyth[ing].

However, the movie was [] eyes were forced to watch [the] screen.

I was wondering what w[ould] when suddenly my eyes w[ere] from a bright light. A man w[as] front of the theatre and he be[gan] on eating in the theatre.

He continued to say that as[tu]dents we should know better [than] food into the theater.

First, I must state that I u[nd]necessity of informing stu[dents] rule of no food or drink in [the]

However, might I suggest [a] dle of the movie might not [be a] time or the appropriate place.

So, here's my thought: [In] appropriate time to encour[age] ture, students on this rule.

As the man said, we are [] dents. And while we might n[ot] respect from many, we should [be] ed as five-year-olds.

Heidi Mathews
Foxborough, Mass.

ympics bring crowds to Y museums

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Staff Writer

ae increase of Olympic visitors in ampus museums are anticipating and g for crowds.

itors Center for BYU has made a tem- ome at the Museum of Art, as the g of the campus tour.

nk we will have a significant increase ers of visitors coming through the over the Olympic period," said Chris- ard, marketing and public relations for the Museum of Art.

ng the Olympics were coming, the wanted first-rate exhibitions on dis- ich would be interesting to visitors, aid.

e number of outside visitors coming to ward said she thinks the whole coun- "high alert" but the Museum of Art is more fearful than the other venues.

said the Museum of Art would try to building a secure venue.

e absolutely thrilled to have the here at this time and that we're able e really great shows to people while isiting the area," Howard said.

er museums on campus are also look- rd to the expected increase in guests.

parking lot located near the Earth Sci- eum was changed into Olympic shut- g.

dtman, curator of the collection and Science Museum, said this change p attract visitors outside of Utah come auseum.

that some of the visitors will come in around and enjoy their visit," Stadt-

Amy Fisler/Daily Universe

John Young works at the information desk at the Museum of Art. The museum expects more visitors during the Olympic Games.

Stadtman said with the Olympic parking near the Earth Science Museum, the area may be a little more congested than usual but sees it as a positive experience.

"I expect everybody will be well behaved," Stadtman said.

Heidi Livingstone, promotions manager of the Museum of Peoples and Culture, said the museum was close to closing its doors for the break but then decided to stay open.

"We're excited for the possibility of having more people outside of Utah to learn more about Utah," she said.

Livingstone said BYU advised the museum to have more security.

"We're making sure that nobody's here that shouldn't be," she said.

Despite this fear, these museums are excited for what is about to come.

All three of the museums are showing exhibits that feature differing aspects of Utah.

The Museum of Art is showing a Smithsonian exhibit of western paintings and sculpture from the late 1800s to the early 1900s.

The Earth Science Museum is showing paleontology finds found in Utah.

The Museum of Peoples and Culture is showing a collection of artifacts from the Utah national park, Capitol Reef.

Internet facilitates student plagiarism

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BYU English professor Dennis Cutchins doesn't like to suspect his students of plagiarism.

In fact, Cutchins said he would rather have a hundred bad, but honest, papers than one a student plagiarized.

But Cutchins, like other professors at BYU, has found himself confronted with the problem of cheating.

The issue has recently been highlighted in the national news after historians Stephen Ambrose and Doris Kearns Goodwin were accused of plagiarizing parts of their books used as texts at universities including BYU.

University of Pennsylvania professor Thomas Childers, whose book was plagiarized by Ambrose, said the action sets a bad example for students.

Childers, who teaches a class on World War II, has used books by Ambrose in his classes, but announced he will stop next semester.

If one of his students had similarly plagiarized, investigation and possible action would be taken, he said.

At BYU, Stephen Baker, director of the honor code office, said plagiarism is not a major problem.

He cited a recent survey on academic integrity, which reported 92 percent of BYU students had never seen someone cheat, compared to a 55 percent national average.

However, as some teachers' experiences illustrate, the problem is far from extinct.

Brad Rawlins, assistant professor in the Communications Department, has dealt with eight incidents of student plagiarism in the past year and a half.

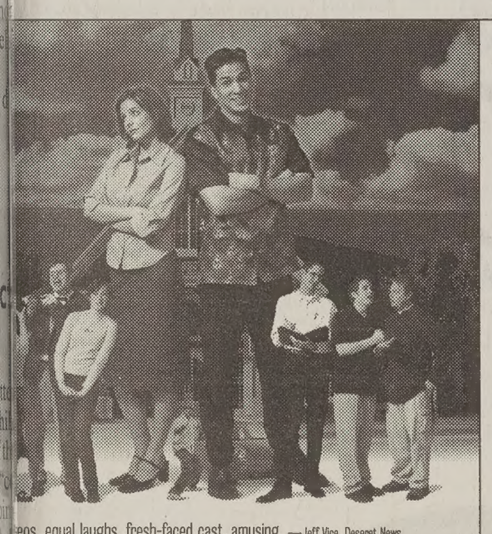
He said increased ability to plagiarize comes with the copy and paste capabilities on the Internet.

"It is my experience that in the electronic age, the line between what are my ideas and what are others' ideas is blurred," he said.

The Web site www.turnitin.com allows teachers to check student work against verbatim information available on the Web. Other programs also offer services such as automatic footnoting when information is retrieved from an online source and more secure computer-based tests, USA Today reported.

Cutchins has used www.turnitin.com in the past to check student papers and said others in his department have done the same.

"I hope it helps mostly as a deterrent," Cutchins said.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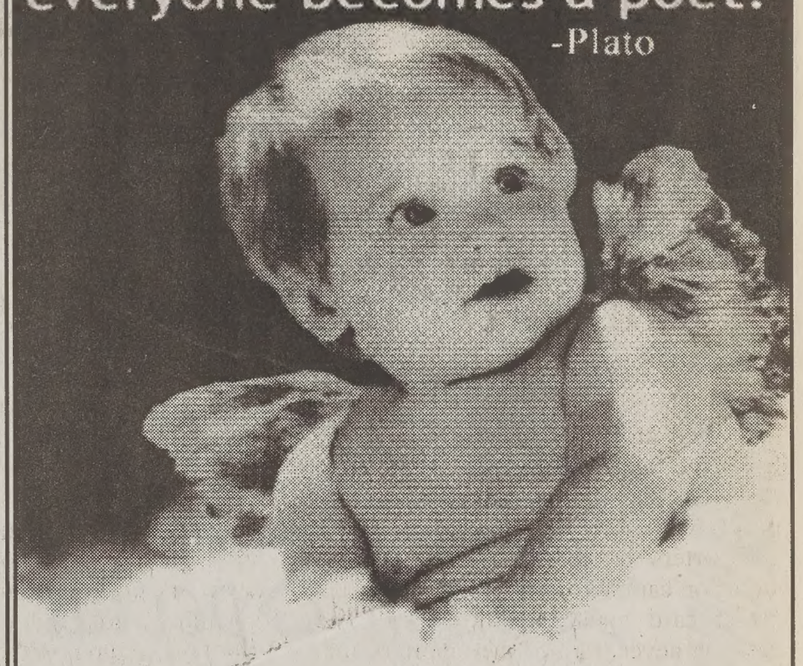
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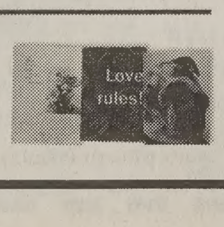

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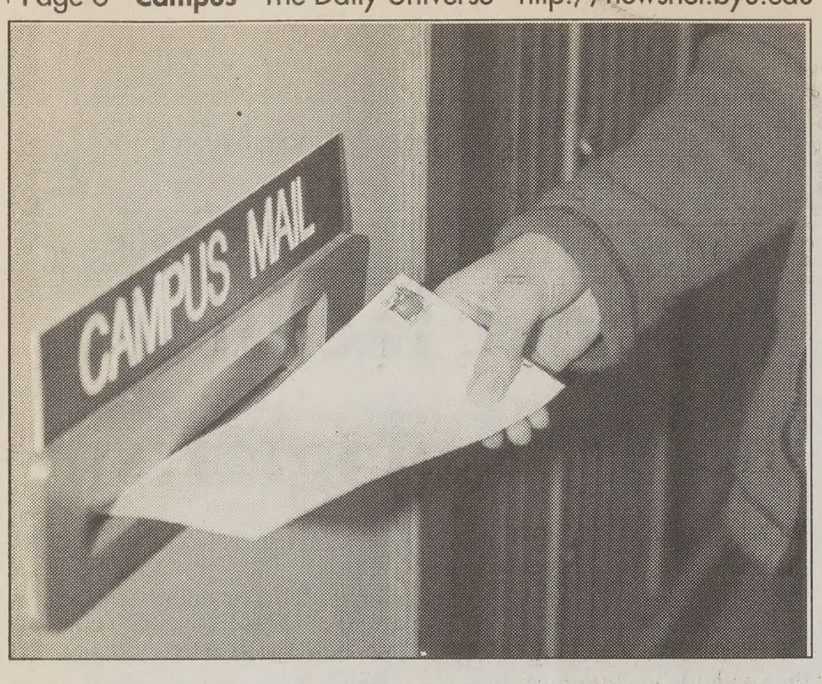

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A student drops a letter into a campus mailbox. Some students do not know postage is not needed when mailing a letter to an on-campus location using campus mail.

Campus mail free for on-campus locatio

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Some BYU students who are already strapped for cash are needlessly spending money on a free service.

Mailing letters through BYU Mail Services to on-campus locations is free.

A lot of people wasting stamps on campus mail live in the dorms, said Ben Krzeminski, a BYU mail driver.

"One morning I counted about $7 worth of stamps in just one pick up," he said. "Those are stamps that students in Helaman Halls and Deseret Towers wasted on campus mail."

The only exception to the rule is that mail sent to Heritage Halls must have postage because residents at those dorms are serviced by the U.S. Postal Department — not BYU Mail Services, said Brad Prescott, supervisor of campus mail.

Jenny Sanchez, 19, a freshman from Los Angeles majoring in psychology, said in the past she put stamps on campus mail because she did not know the postage was free.

"If I knew this before, I would have sent stuff more often," she said.

Most BYU staff and administrative members know that postage is not needed for campus mail, Prescott said.

There are several reasons students continue to needlessly spend money on stamps.

Prescott said he thinks people are accustomed to putting stamps on their mail and do not think they have the option to mail something without postage when mailing on campus.

Amy Hallstrom, a BYU mail clerk, said another reason students do not know about the free-postage policy might be because no one told them in the first place.

Hallstrom said the mailbox in the Abraham Smoot Building, where she works, does not have a notice posted above th mail slot to let people k do not need to use a sta

"It just takes a while t dents finally find out need postage for camp said Jim Sinquefield, clerk. "It's something gradually learn whil here."

Sinquefield said he students be informed campus mail policy du man orientation.

That way, they wo from the start that stam necessary when mailin on-campus locations.

"Save your stamps," said.

Center offers students counseling to ease anxieties about school, life

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People are more likely to experience depression in the middle of the winter, making February one of the busier months for the Counseling and Career Center.

"The holidays are over, school is dragging on, and the weather is bad," said Ronald Chapman, director of the Center.

Approximately 30 percent of students take advantage of the personal counseling services sometime during their time at the university, Chapman said.

Between 70 and 85 percent of the students who come in are worried about grades, he said.

"Over the last several years, the problem that students report most frequently is concern for academic performance," Chapman said.

This leads to depression and anxiety, which are the next most common reasons people come into the counseling center, Chapman said.

Laura Belz, 25, a graduate student from Thousand Oaks, Calif., is now working on her masters in social work. She said people might consider counseling if anything is impairing their ability to function as a student.

No particular age group is more likely to visit, but certain problems are more likely to accompany different age groups, Chapman said.

"Freshmen come in with issues relating to becoming more independent, sophomores or juniors who come in struggling with relationships," Chapman said. "Seniors come in because they broke up a relationship or are wondering what to do next in life."

The Center counsels students for problems ranging from difficulties that arise from normal young adult development to more serious problems like acute or long-standing psychological disturbances.

According to the Center Web site, the counseling services are designed to promote self-reliance with short-term interventions.

The wait for an appointment is approximately a week. But if it is an emergency, students can be seen that day, Chapman said.

The Center provides such services as individual therapy, group therapy, marital/premarital therapy, crisis and emergency services, and stress management labs.

"The people at the Center are very knowledgeable and have a lot of experience," Belz said.

By going to the Counseling Center, students have access to trained counselors who can help them work through past traumas, emotional difficulties, personality problems, addictions, depression or eating disorders, Belz said.

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YU graduate tells the Brooklyn tale

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ry of the ship Brooklyn voyage comes to life ne BYU graduate's doc-

iffany, 32, from New te, produced and direct- cumentary "Forgotten

graduated from BYU in er studying public rela- d journalism. He has n several productions he History Channel and is own production com- e Frame Films.

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, 70, said the Brooklyn as the longest sea voy- taken for purposes of reedom.

yflower traveled 3,000 er 63 days, Goodwin said. However, the Brooklyn traveled 24,000 miles over six months.

"Forgotten Voyage" focuses on the actual trip, but also tells about Brannan and John Horner, Tiffany said. Both were early millionaires in California.

Brannan has been described as a controversial leader, Tiffany said. Once in California, he discovered gold and left the church.

Tiffany said Brannan might have felt abandoned and perhaps betrayed by the Utah saints.

Andrew Hedges, 35, assistant professor of church history and doctrine, said Brannan was bright and talented, but like most people had a few flaws.

"He was headstrong, and a little loose with church funds, which led ultimately to his estrangement from the church," Hedges said.

Tiffany said Brannan was searching for opportunity and mixed up his priorities.

Either way, Brannan's leadership had effects on the Church of Jesus Christ, California and the nation, Hedges said.

Brannan followed Brigham Young's directions to lead the pioneers on a dangerous voyage on sea.

Brannan also established San Francisco's first newspaper, and was one of the first to announce the discovery of gold at Sutter's Mill, Hedges said.

Tiffany said Horner was a farmer and sold fresh vegetables to the gold miners. He remained faithful to the religion even with his acquired fortune.

Another faithful saint was Isaac Goodwin.

His wife Laura died when she slipped during a hurricane as the ship came around Cape Horn.

This accident left Isaac Goodwin with seven children to take care of on his own, yet he stayed faithful.

Dale Goodwin said this hurricane was actually a blessing in disguise. It blew the ship off course near the Juan Fernandez Islands.

The ship stopped to replenish its supplies of food and water. Before the islands, passengers were rationed strictly with putrid drops of water.

The Brooklyn found two fresh streams and collected 18 thousand gallons of water, Dale Goodwin said.

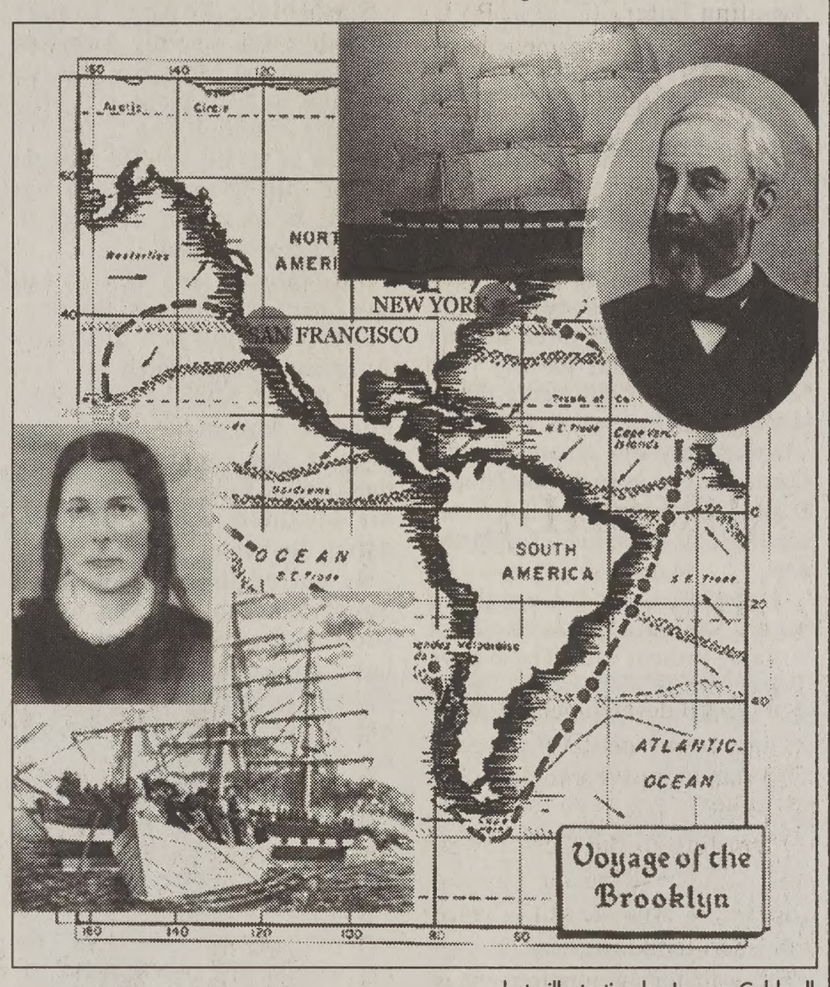
These people were the real pioneers, he said.

Hedges said he looks forward to seeing this documentary, and hopes it includes the effects of the voyage.

Hedges also hopes the film brings into perspective what the church was going through at this time; to show why Brigham Young put the Latter-day Saints on such a voyage.

The documentary will be available at the "Forgotten Voyage" Web site by the end of February, Tiffany said.

PBS and the History Channel may pick up the documentary to broadcast this summer, Tiffany said. It will also eventually be sold in bookstores.



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This map shows the route the Brooklyn and its passengers took to California.

Utah art thrives within the Olympic Games

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Utah artists are shining through the shadow the Olympics cast on them.

"In general, there is a sense that the local Utah artists are being ignored by the official Olympic celebrations," said Shawn Rossite, of Artists of Utah.

The Salt Lake Organizing Committee and the U.S. Olympic Committee basically came in and took over the Salt Lake Art Center to do their show and wanted the staff to quit for three months, Rossite said.

The organization Utah Art 2002 was created to address the concerns of some Utah-based visual artists that not enough attention was being paid to them by the Olympic Committee.

"There was a need to increase the level of visibility for visual art in Utah," said Michelle Bruno, media relations representative for Utah Art 2002.

It was evident that visual art has reached new heights in Utah at Utah Art 2002's opening night Feb. 1, Bruno said.

They anticipated approximately 200 people for the evening and were pleasantly surprised with over 600 interested art patrons and the media who attended.

"Because of the work of many people, Utah artists are not being ignored," said Mary Tull, director of Visions for Learning, an organization sponsored by Utah Art 2002.

According to the official Olympic Web site the Olympic Arts Festival events include 17 exhibitions in visual art and 27 in musical and dance performances.

"I don't think the Olympic Committee gave the visual arts as much attention as the performing arts," Tull said.

The situation for the performing arts might not be as good as is appears.

The Hale Center Theatre will not be playing during the Olympics because it was rented out for Olympic related business, according to the Hale Center Theatre Web site.

Galleries exhibiting Utah based Olympic statewide hope to draw more attention for the visual arts from Olympic crowds, despite the shadow the events might seem to cast on them.

Rossite said most of the art galleries in and around Salt Lake are having group shows featuring Utah artists and concentrating on Utah themes.

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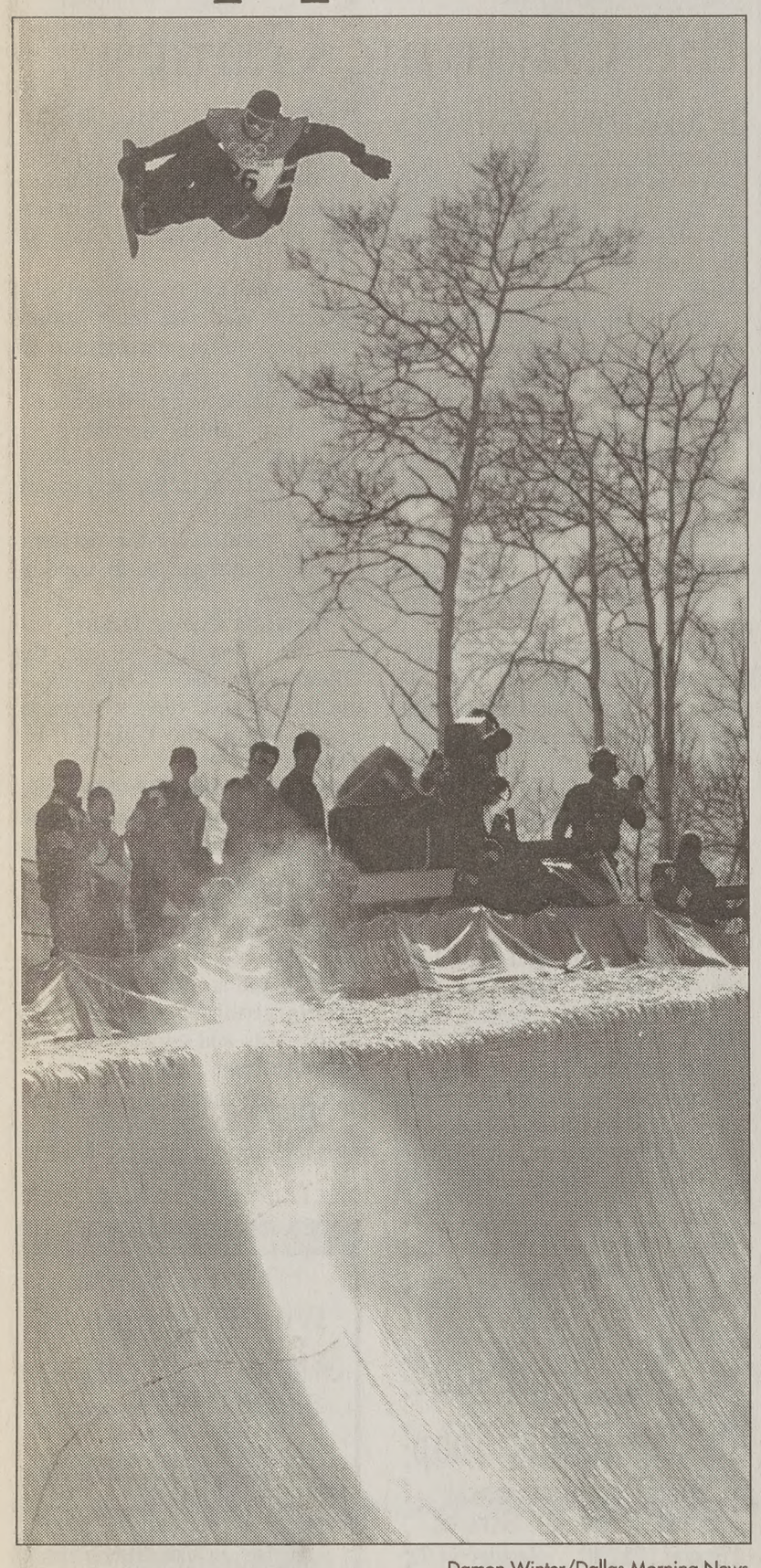

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Ross Powers soars above the halfpipe during his gold medal win in snowboarding. The U.S. swept the medals in Park City.

Associated Press

PARK CITY — Ross Powers, Danny Kass and J.J. Thomas made history on the halfpipe Monday, giving the United States its first medals sweep in the Winter Olympics in 46 years.

Soaring 10 and 15 feet above the hollowed-out snow chute on a gorgeous, sun-kissed day, the Americans won all three medals in a Winter event for the first time since the 1956 men's figure skating team in Cortina, Italy.

It was only the second Winter Games sweep ever for the United States, and it was topped by Powers the day after his 23rd birthday.

"I couldn't ask for anything more," he said. "It's the best birthday present ever. These guys beside me is also huge. Today was just the perfect day."

The sweep bumped the United States up to six medals, including the halfpipe gold won Sunday by Kelly Clark, who was on hand to watch her countrymen sweep.

The chants of "U.S.A., U.S.A, U.S.A" were deafening.

An estimated 30,000 fans — many of them who came when the women's downhill event was postponed because of weather — waved their flags, clanged their cowbells and soaked in the hippest Olympic sport.

Powers set the winning mark of 46.1 early. He was the fourth rider to hit the snow, and his very first push above the rim of the pipe was stunning — his body flying 15 feet in the air, parallel to the ground, with the sun overhead making for a picturesque silhouette.

Kass, the 19-year-old future of the sport, had two chances to top the 1998 bronze medalist. He was incredible in his own way, but his corkscrew turn and his famed "Kasserole spin" — two upside-down twists while grabbing the board — weren't enough to win gold. He scored a 42.5.

The 20-year-old Thomas won the bronze on his second ride with an impressive run, pulling a 2 1/2-revolution spin and soaring almost as high as Powers.

Sixth-place finisher Tommy Czeschin was the only American left out of the party. His first run put him in third place, but after Thomas overtook him, Czeschin needed to go higher. He thought he did, but when his score was posted, he looked on in disbelief, and the crowd booed.

But really, it was hard to call any American a loser on this day.

Snowboarding is a distinctly American sport, created on a lark by a man in Michigan, Sherman Poppen, who in 1965 braced a pair of skis together and tied them with a rope so he could give his daughters something to do during the winter.

He called the contraption a Snurfer, combining the words snow and surfer. A few years later, entrepreneur Jake Burton Carpenter improved the snowboard and started the wave that continues to this day.

When the International Olympic Committee added snowboarding in 1998, many questioned whether the so-called "lifestyle sport" really belonged in the Olympics — too stodgy for the halfpipe, the critics said.

A lot of those doubts are bound to die down, and this American sweep will surely play a big role.

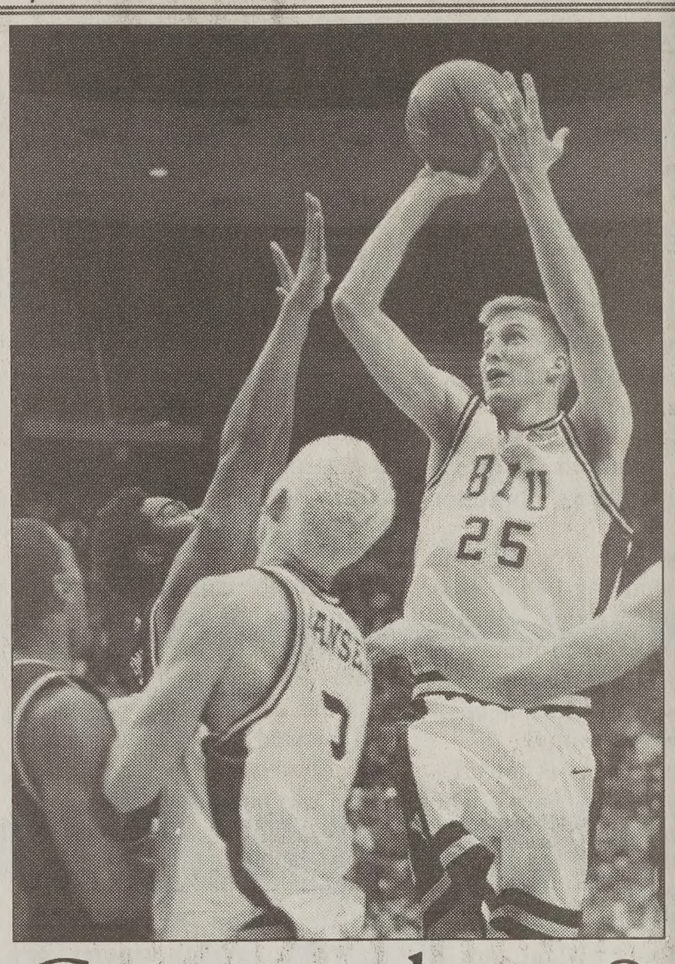
"This is completely different than anything I've ever seen or done," Thomas said before the finals. "It sets the standards for snowboarding. I'm having a blast."

Nobody had more fun than Powers, a "veteran" of the sport compared with Kass, if only because he has previous Olympic experience and a gold medal from the 2000 Goodwill Games.

He's also an X-Games veteran, although his greatest success came in 1998, when he won two golds at the competition that used to be considered the pinnacle of this sport.

Until now.

"This is probably the best halfpipe I've ever been on," Powers said. "And when you're up there and this crowd starts cheering for all the guys in the U.S., it's amazing. It's the biggest contest ever."



Cougars lose 8t straight road ga

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The men's basketball team (14-8, 4-5) lost its eighth straight road game on Monday night against the Aztecs, 77-73.

San Diego State hit its first eight of 10 shots and built a ten-point lead.

The Cougars were not far behind San Diego State in the beginning minutes. They hit their first seven out of 10 shots from the floor.

"We have to get off to a good start," head coach Steve Cleveland said.

They went five minutes without hitting a field goal. BYU finished the half shooting 42 percent.

"I think if we are able to put 40 minutes together I think we will be a lot more successful," sophomore forward Bart Jepsen said.

San Diego State's g prevented the Cougars ting together 40 minute

"We need to stop th game," said Jim Tome coach for the Aztecs. " put the clamps on Bi Hansen."

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The unlikely hero Cougars was sophom Daniel Howard.

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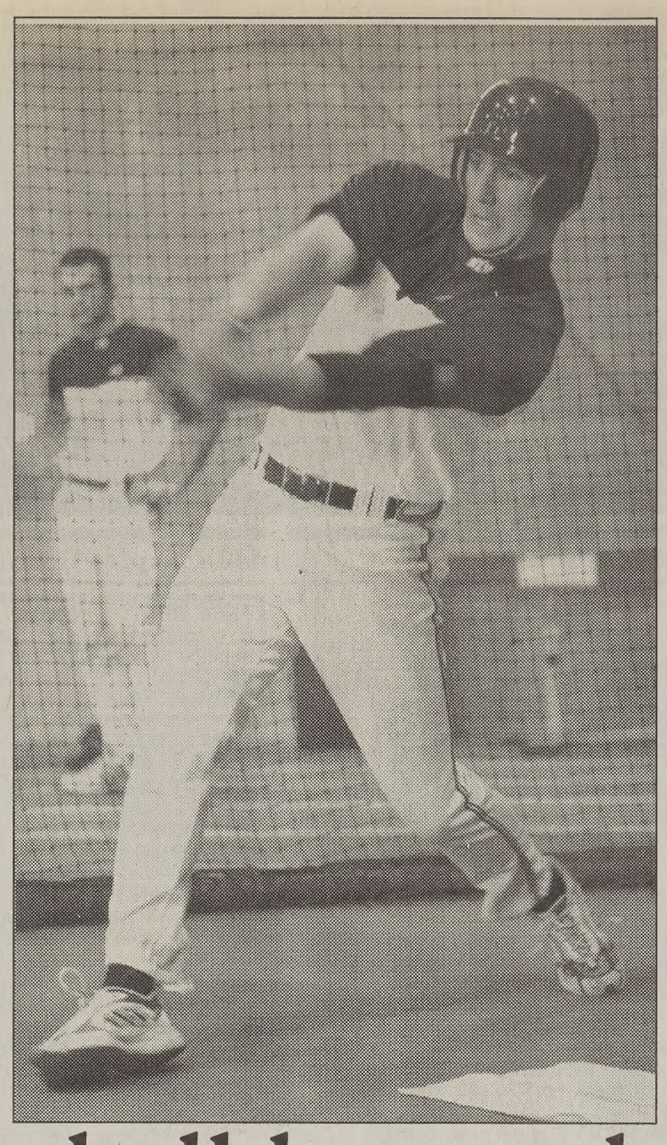

Racquetball hopes for nationals

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They have an extensive list of national championships, boast the longest season of any extramural sport and do it all without a scholarship to offer.

Despite all this, the racquetball team continues to hit the courts for an elusive spot at Nationals.

The low profile racquetball team, which took nationals several years in a row — 1995 through 2000 for the women's team and 1995 through 1997 for the combined team — is working hard to gain back control of the national courts.

After losing three of the top female players last year, head coach Dennis Fisher is taking his young team through the fundamentals in hopes of building key skills for the future.

"I've got a good team," Fisher said, "but we're not going to be as competitive as we were before."

The coach said most of the current training among the women's team is for two years down the road.

"We have some good talent, but we just don't have the experience," Fisher said.

Senior Laura Bryan, who is in her second year with the team, has confidence in the team's abilities.

"We haven't had a lot of tournaments, but I'm excited," Bryan said. "Everyone seems to be doing pretty good."

Although the men's team has more experience, the competitors are much tougher. The men sometimes compete against pro-tour players, Fisher said.

Zach Pitcher, a sophomore on the team, who spends two hours a day, five days a week next to his teammates, said he sees many strong points among the team.

"Self-motivation is a strength of the team," Pitcher said.

Fisher sees talent on the men's team and anticipates seeing them in the top five at nationals.

> "We have some good talent, but we just don't have the experience."
> — Dennis Fisher, racquetball coach

Currently the team is competing in open tournaments throughout Utah and among themselves.

Only 12 of the 24 players will be headed to nationals.

The six men and six women who go are determined by a challenge ladder being played now through the beginning of March among the team members.

Though the local tournaments are important, Fisher said, the real goal is to make it to nationals.

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In the top of the third, Jackson's bunt brought Chambers home from third, making the score 8-4.

In the sixth inning BYU chased the third Bronco pitcher from the game. Runs from Jackson, Carson, Jensen and Obrey, gave the Cougars an edge of 13-5.

"Offense put together big innings, and the pitching really helped. Today we really took it to them," said second baseman Cameron Coughlan.

In the eighth inning, BYU kept the bases loaded with no outs as Carson scored off Han Yi's single. Then Chambers' walk scored Obrey to secure BYU's victory.

"Everything came together. We pitched well, we hit well, and it all adds up to a win," Coughlan said.

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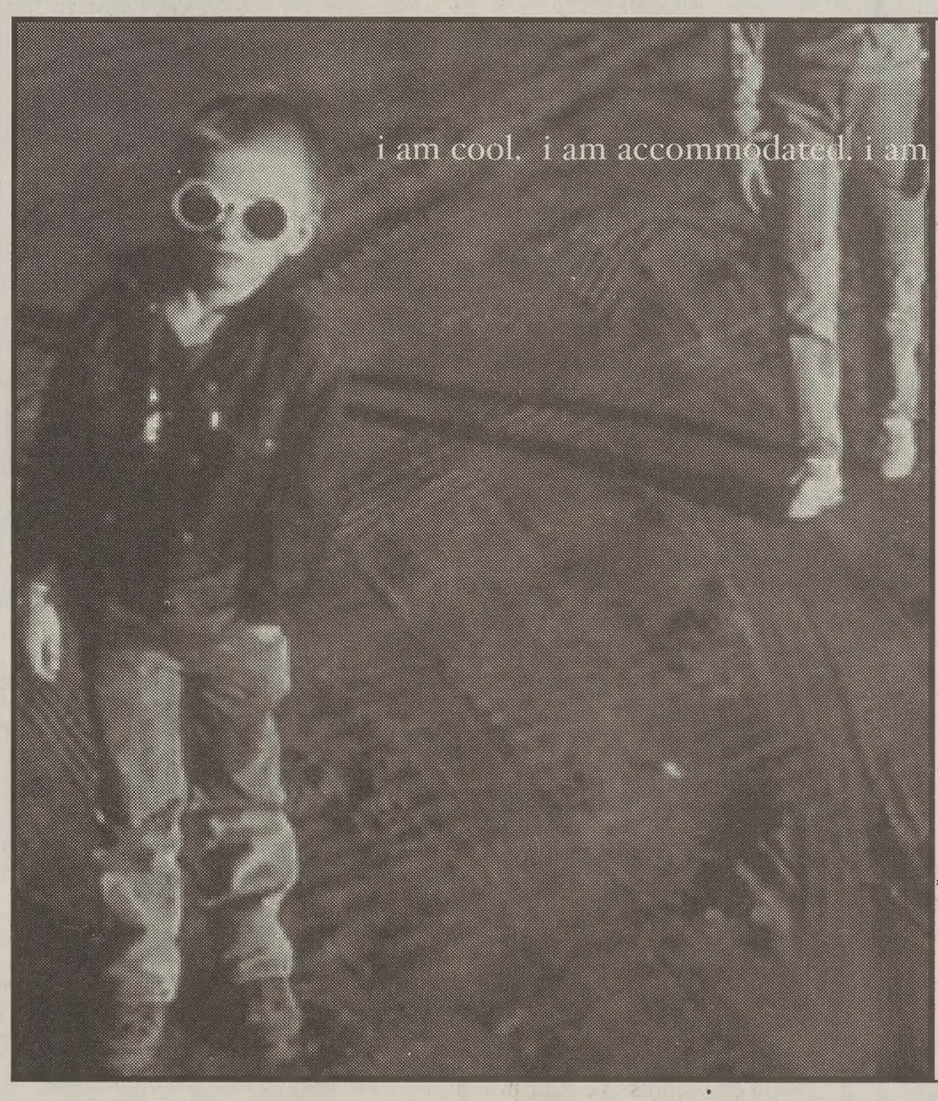

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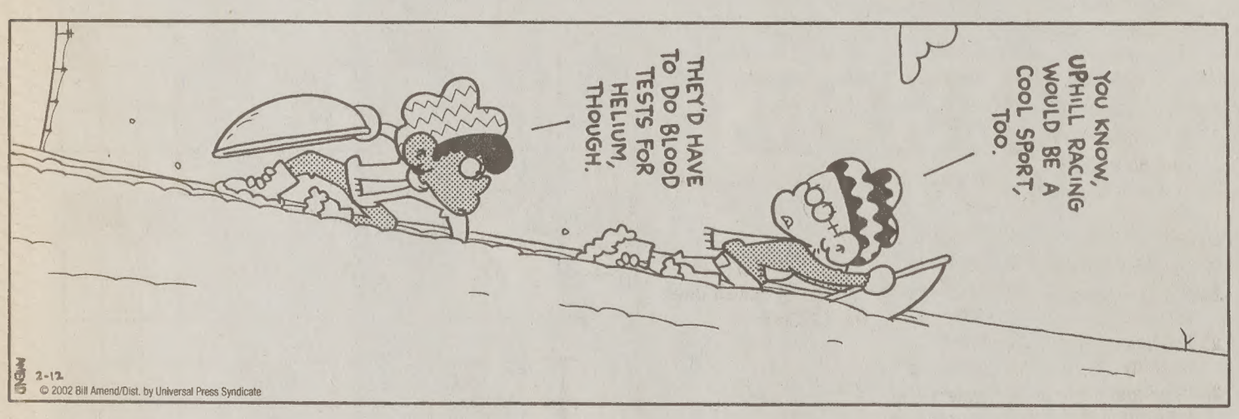
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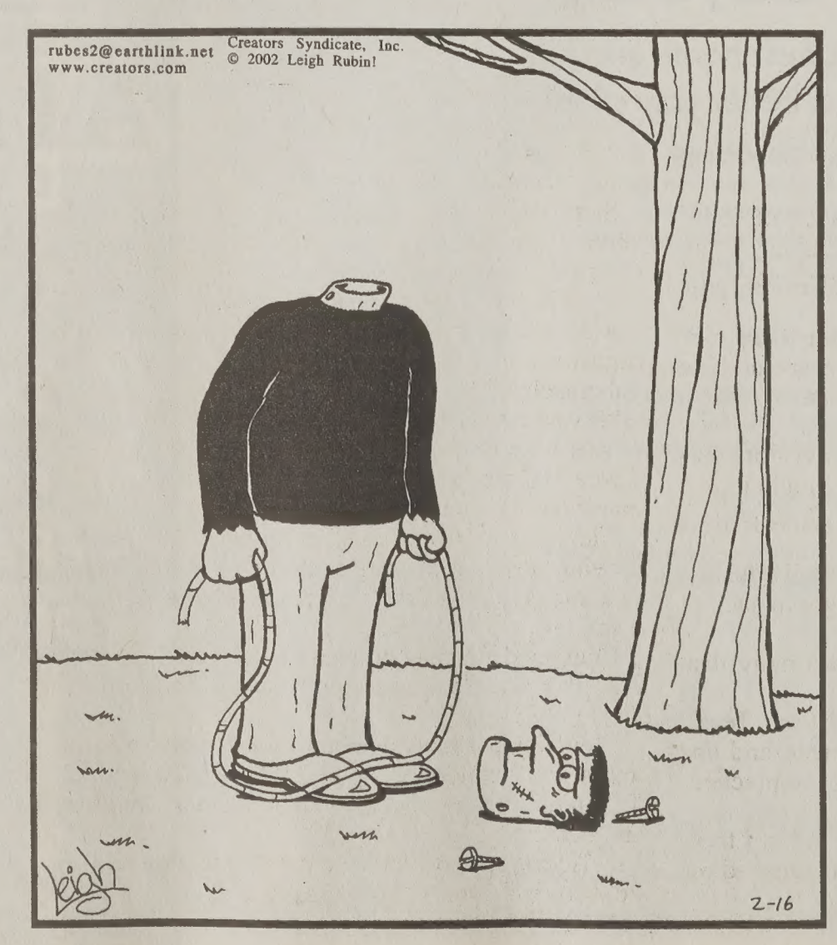

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Identical class rings may spark new Y tradition

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BYU is attempting to create a tradition with a new class ring for students.

The rings will be available between March 4 and 8 and will be offered for limited times during each year to those who have completed 60-credit hours at BYU.

The new ring will be a single design to be sold each year to graduates and alumni, in an effort to help BYU graduates everywhere become more distinguishable.

"It's almost like your diploma in your wallet," said Michael Busenbark, executive director of the Alumni Association. "It's a piece that would give you a chance to share the values of BYU with others."

It will be available in a single design, approved by a committee of students and faculty, featuring the Y Mountain and a white ring representing the chalk circle from the famous quote by Karl G. Maeser.

Inside the ring will be the words "go forth to serve."

The new ring will replace various styles of class rings sold by companies on campus in the past, and will be available in yellow and white gold.

New Ring Tradition

The new class ring is an attempt by the university to recreate a class ring tradition lost at many universities in the late 1970s, said Roger Reynolds, BYU Bookstore director.

The class ring tradition has faded at BYU to the point where last year the BYU Bookstore sold only 30 rings.

"I think it's kind of a casual interest that people have had in the rings," said Gordon Brown, manager of general merchandise at the BYU Bookstore.

In 1999, Reynolds became aware that many schools were beginning a new ring tradition, trying to revive student interest by having a ring that would identify them.

Busenbark said that many members of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints wear a CTR ring to remind them of certain ideals, and a class ring at BYU could help alumni to remember the ideals that BYU represents.

The ring will be marketed by Milestone Traditions, a company created in 1993, which has specialized in products tailored to universities.

"We believe that you can start traditions," said Page Singletary, a Milestone representative.

His company helps to create a demand for class rings by providing all the marketing materials, including key chains with mock versions of the ring for new university students to help them start thinking about a ring purchase.

Texas Tech introduced a new class ring in 1998, also marketed by Milestone, and the school has seen an increase in graduate purchase of the ring from 4 percent to 30 percent, said Mandy Wylie, representative of the school's exstudents association.

"I think that the single ring forms an affinity with everyone," she said. "Everyone feels that they belong to something. They can know that they are part of this family."

Singletary said he sees no reason why similar results cannot occur at BYU.

"We only target schools where we think the traditions can grow," he said.

Price Issue

The exact price of the ring has yet to be determined, but the added expense to students for a ring has already become an issue.

At Texas Tech, the rings costs between $305 and $556, and Brown said the price for the BYU ring will most likely be between $450 and $525.

"Deep down inside everyone would like to see rings be more affordable," Reynolds said, "but unfortunately that's not the world we live in."

According to Busenbark, BYU will try to keep the rings as affordable as possible. The school has already asked for lower prices on the rings, and is working on a program for students to earn credit toward the ring.

BYU, he said, will receive only a small portion of the ring sales.

Milestone Traditions is also offering some forms of financial aid toward purchase of the new ring including a no interest payment plan and a ring trade-in offer, Singletary said.

The trade-in plan will allow students and alumni who have purchased gold class rings in the past to receive credit toward the new ring.

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"We want families to learn that working together is a fun thing to do," Hill said.

Much of the inspiration for the program came from a line found in the Proclamation on the Family, he said. It states, wholesome recreational activities are a part of successful marriages and families.

"All of our efforts have come from the proclamation," he said. "That's been the guiding document.

Deseret Citrus and Cattle Ranch, owned by the Church, is one location where families will spend time participating in activities like canoeing.

"They will actually go and do things as a family hands on," Huff said. "They are going to try and keep the families together as much as they can."

Located in Florida, the ranch is the largest cow-calf ranch in the U.S. at 300,000 acres covering parts of three counties.

"It's the size of Utah Valley," Hill said.

Deseret Land and Livestock, another of the Especially For Families sites, is a 200,000-acre ranch located near Evanston, Wyo., and headquartered in Woodruff, Rich County.

Hill and Huff said families here would participate in a pioneer-type handcart experience on church history sites such as Martin's Cove, Rocky Ridge and the Mormon Trail.

"They will walk some 30 miles," Hill said.

Hill and Huff said part of the magic of the handcart experience is that parents realize they can't pull the handcarts without the help of their teenage children.

"It changes the way they see their teenagers," Hill said. "That they are important contributors to the family."

Hill said that although the program has not yet been officially announced, it will likely be marketed within the next two weeks.

Families interested in participating in Especially For Families can look for information on the church's Continuing Education Web site located at http://ce.byu.edu/ed.

Hill and Huff said prices haven't been determined.

"It won't be outside of what a family would spend on a vacation," Hill said.

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are still available for the largest musical n ever sponsored by the Church of Jesus Latter-day Saints.

ight of the World, A Celebration of Life," formed in the Conference Center in Salt , still has five evening performances and day matinees to go.

tickets are no longer available. However, e or out-of country guests may purchase ed on availability, said LeiLani Wright, a ce worker.

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Wilson, 24, a senior from El Paso, Texas, n fitness wellness management, and one formers in the show, said all the practices h the effort.

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Wilson said many of the performers were crying right long with the audience.

The performance contains the account of the creation of the world and a story that follows a boy named Alma who is looking for who he is in this life. He is shown his ancestry, complete with pioneers, handcarts and ships.

Sam Blacker, 25, a senior from Orem majoring in accounting, said he liked how the performance mixed secular and religious themes together.

"It has a nice Olympic under theme too," he said.

Music plays a prominent role throughout the production and features soloists and the Mormon Tabernacle Choir.

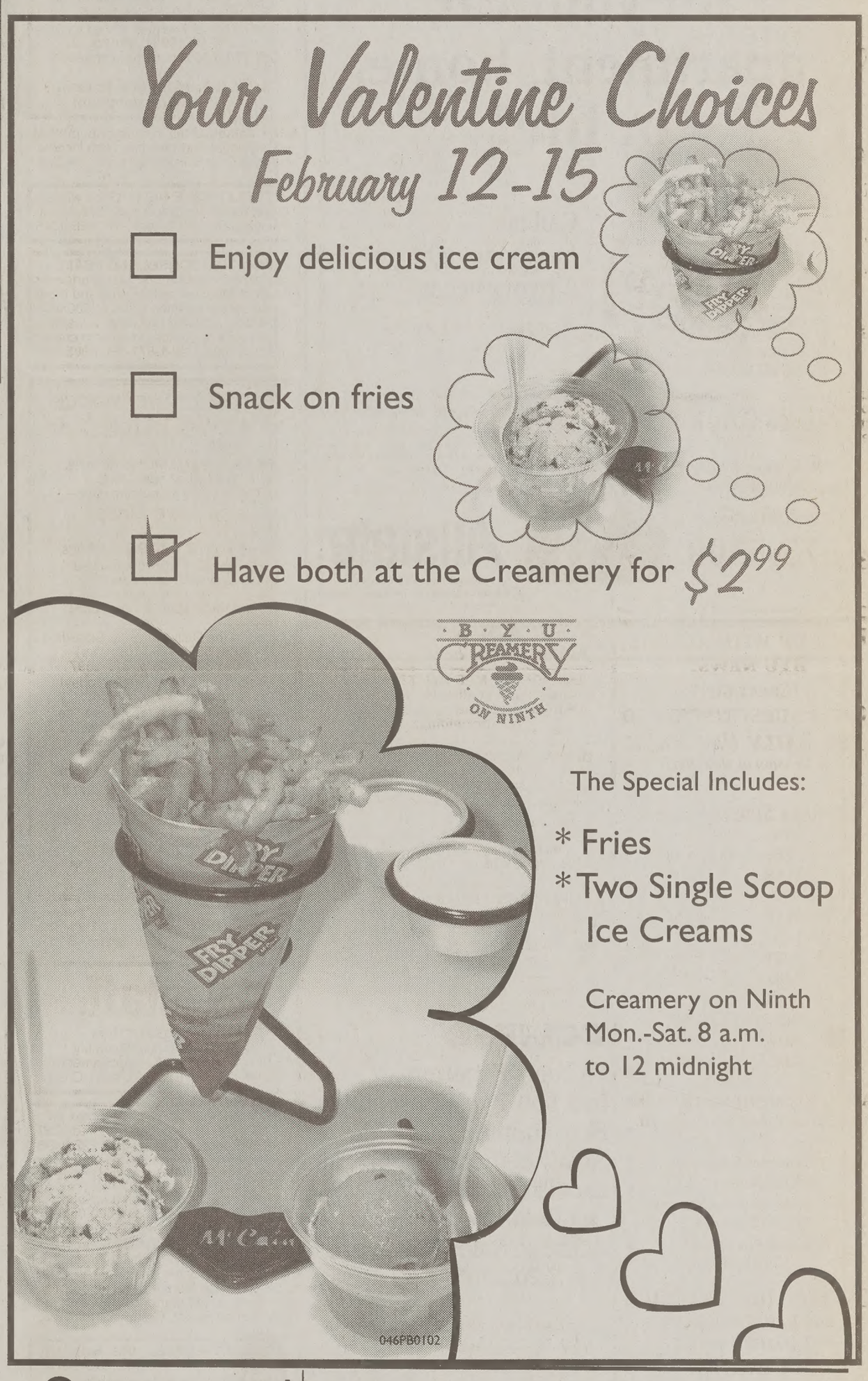
"It was amazing to see the music and the dancing. It was very emotional, and I really loved it," said Leslie Wardle, 22, a senior from Richland, Wash., majoring in nursing.

Interested persons need to show identification proving their out-of-state status. Wright said identification such as a driver's license is an appropriate form.

Utah residents may purchase tickets only if tickets are still available at noon on the day of the performance.

Remaining shows available for 7 p.m. performances are Wednesday, Friday, Feb. 19, 20, and 22. Two matinees are also available at 2 p.m. Saturday and Feb. 23.

Tickets are available at the Conference Center ticket office Door 4, Wright said.



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34 Kitty-cat
35 Holier ___ thou
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39 Island greeting
42 Berkshire school
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55 Lao-Tzu's "way"
56 Mysterious letter
58 Longfellow bell town
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3 Greet
4 Cheat on
5 Gets closer to, as a target
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7 Pretty basic bike
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9 Traveler to Hades to rescue Eurydice
10 Comebacks
11 Wearer of a half-inch gold stripe: Abbr.
13 See 4-Across
14 Sharp fight
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24 Napoleon exile site
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27 Wallflowerish
30 Wacky
33 Like Nash's llama
36 Mischief
38 Troop group
39 Biopic starring Will Smith
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45 Like the 1920's
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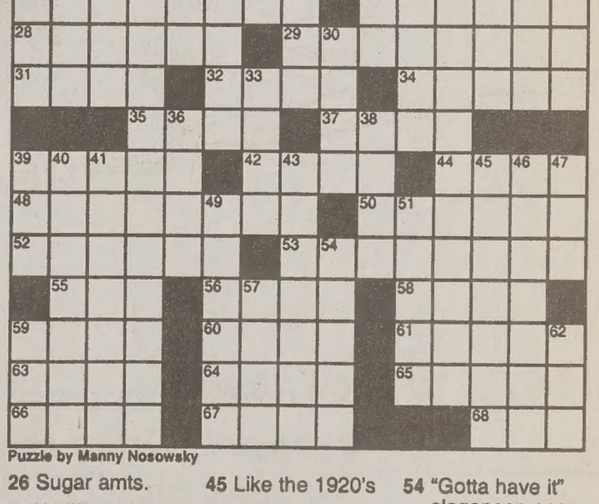

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Y students put off graduation

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With the deadline for new freshman applications only weeks away, fewer students may be accepted this year, said Eric Meyers, director of admissions processing.

The large number of seniors who delay graduation may result in a smaller number of freshmen who can be admitted, said Karen Evans, coordinator for the Open Major Advisement Center/Counseling and Career Center.

On the average, males take 9.21 semesters to graduate, said Danny Olsen, representative for Institutional Assessment and Analysis.

"I took a lot of classes that didn't count for anything, just things I was interested in," said Dave Haynie, 23, a senior from Sandy majoring in finance, who will have been here nine semesters when he graduates this year.

Students give different reasons why they are taking longer to graduate.

The reasons include taking fewer credit hours in order to get a higher GPA, going to school and working at the same time, and waiting to get accepted into programs with limited enrollment.

However, graduation does not need to take longer than necessary if students know exactly what they need to do to graduate on time, Evans said.

Students have several avenues of assistance to graduate on time.

Open major counselors can give assistance to those struggling to find a major. If students are in the major, they should visit the college advisement center, Evans said.

Despite preparations and plans made during freshman year, a variety of things get in the way of academic courses between their freshman and senior year.

"It is taking me five years to get my degree because I switched my major five times and added two minors this year," said Karen Brown, 24, from Trabuco Canyon, Calif., majoring in math.

Some freshmen know it will take them longer than four years to graduate and are trying to plan accordingly.

Dave Johnson, 18, a freshman from Glendora, Calif., majoring in communications, said he will do whatever it takes to graduate on time, including going to school spring and summer terms so he will be ahead by the time he returns from his mission.

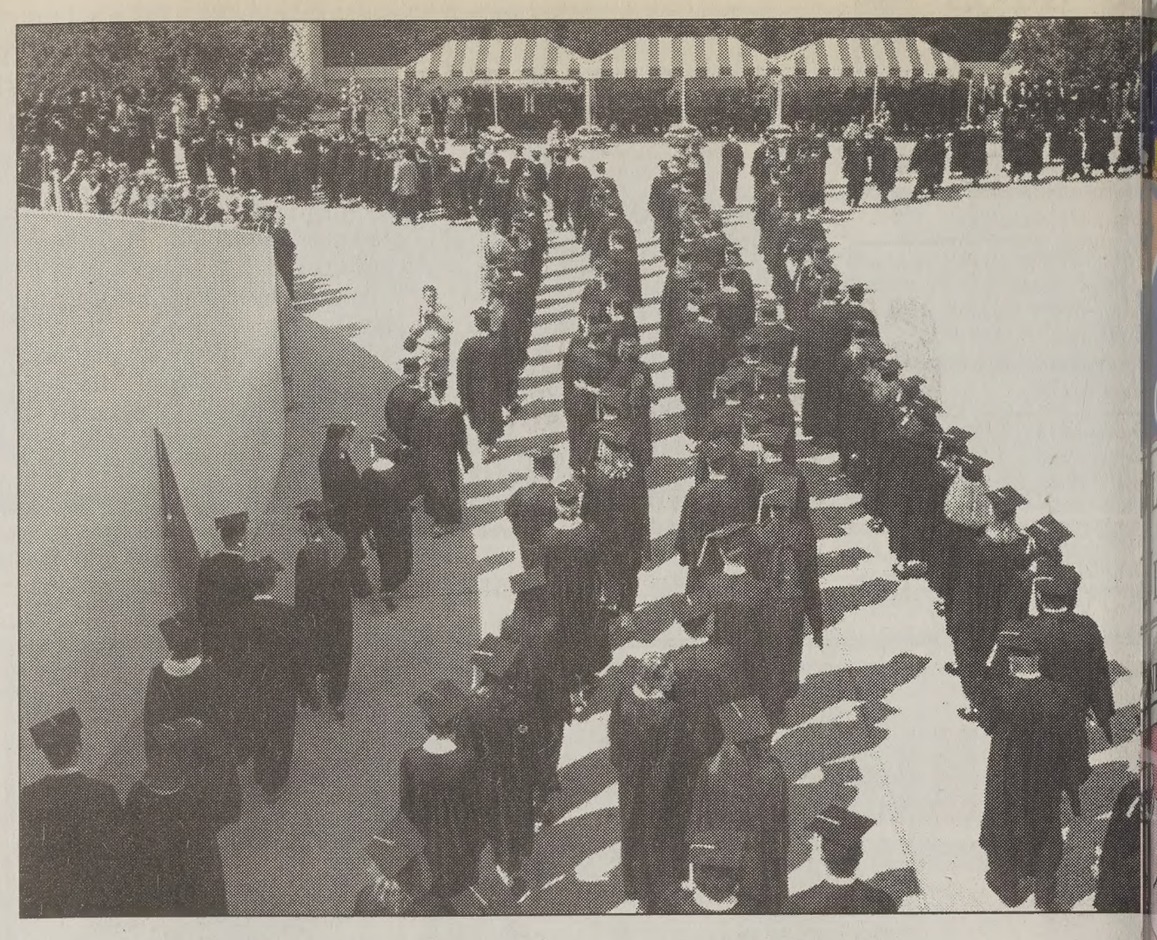
Johnson worked for KBYU on campus to get an idea of what he wanted to go into, and he even looked online at his ABC report to know what he needed to take.

Despite these preparations he is still slightly unsure about what he needs to do to stay ahead, Johnson said.

Rachel Murdock, 20, a junior from Austin, Texas, majoring in psychology, said she thinks seniors often delay graduation if they haven't found their "eternal companion."

"They think if they stay in Provo, then they're going to find someone to marry," Murdock said. "They can't really justify getting a job here so they just go to school longer."

The BYU Department of Institutional Assessment and Analysis said about 45 percent of students who graduated last December graduated single.



Graduates walk towards the ceremony during a past graduation. Some students, for various reasons, take longer than four years to graduate.

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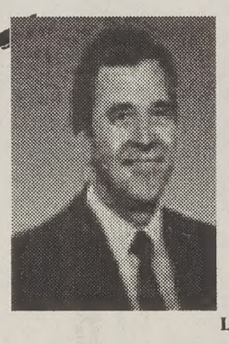

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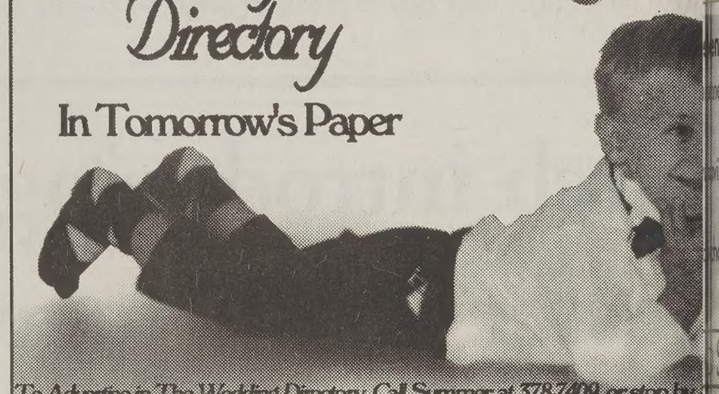

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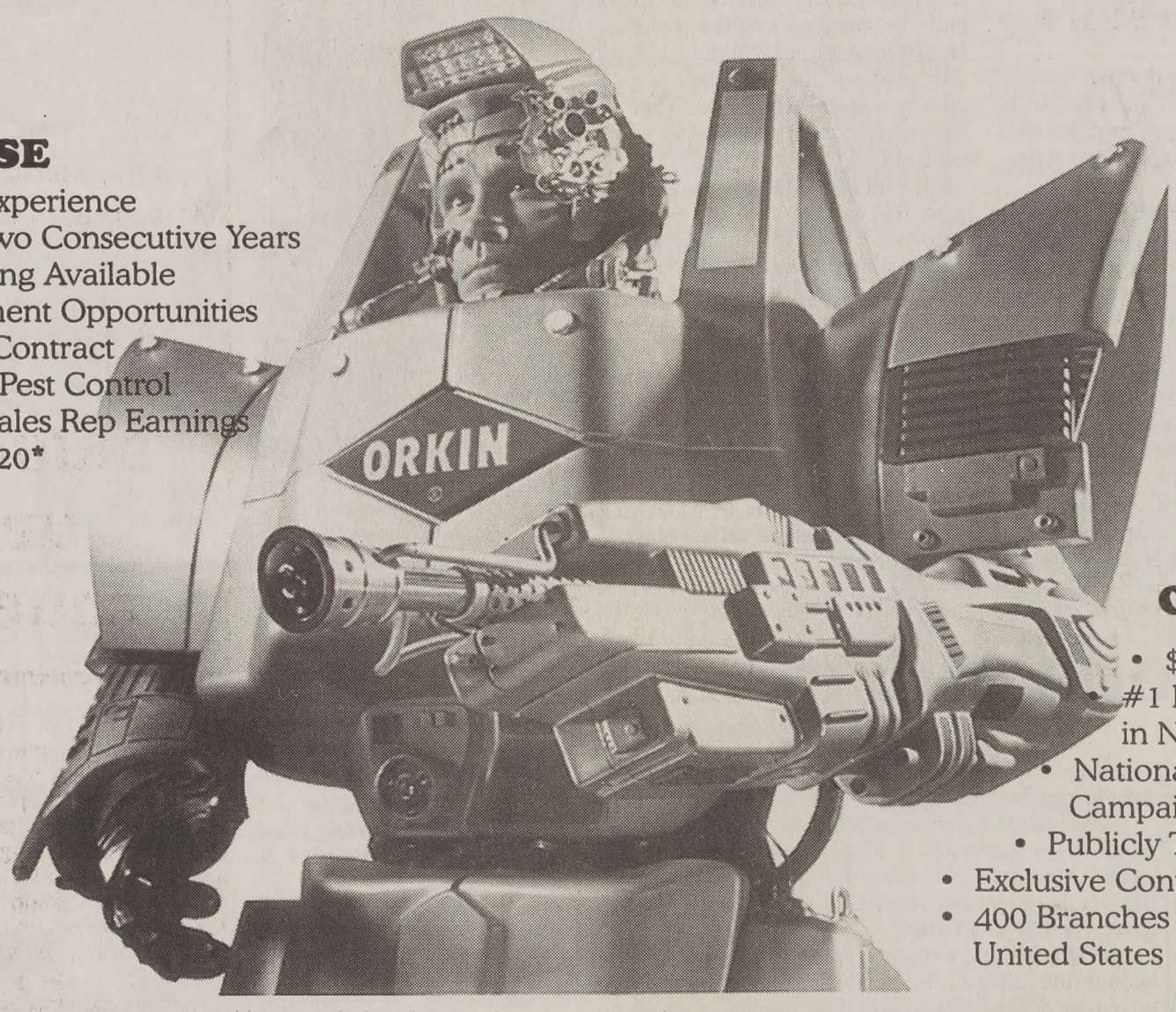

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